

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

125th Annual Meeting



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President's Message

Welcome to the 125th Annual Meeting of the Massachusetts Rifle Association. At this meeting, five Directors will be elected, each to serve a three-year term; one Treasurer to serve a one-year term; and one Secretary to also serve a one-year term. The Directors that are up for re-election are outstanding members of the MRA, and have served our club well in 1999. Please know they need your vote! For a complete listing of the nominees, please see Page 4.

As we look to the future, the MRA is prepared to face new challenges and embrace new ideas, beginning with the introduction of our Web site and the addition of new computers and a new database to enhance our operations. We now have the tools in place to progress forward into the new millennium, and have developed complementary strategies to attract new members while retaining and engaging our current membership base. We must continue to expand upon activities like our Junior's Program – which represents the very future and essence of the MRA. And we must enhance our cost-cutting measures to continue to forge forward in today's economy.

Our Internet Web site is a powerful tool, making possible the creation of a dynamic on-line record of the MRA – a vehicle to showcase our accomplishments to the world and share our visions for the future. As I've stated before, we must *create a smell of excitement* – both through utilizing such tools and through presenting new shooting games. We hope our members will never miss out on exciting opportunities to enjoy the MRA and our events – all accessible through the click of a mouse! Prospective members looking for a club can view the MRA and our offerings on-line. We hope the Web site will deliver some remarkable results. Everyone wins, for we will be able to attract new members, expand our services, and attain a competitive advantage for the new millennium.

So please join me at the Annual Meeting 1999 – we have a lot to talk about! We will have short breaks for socializing throughout the evening, and a buffet of delicious food will be served. It should make for a lively evening! The more members who participate, the more interesting and informative the night will be. Thank you for your support in 1999.

Robert Summa

Remember to shoot straight and often!

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT
ROBERT SUMMA



1ST VICE PRESIDENT
ROBERT OUELLETTE



2ND VICE PRESIDENT
CHARLIE TRICKETT



TREASURER
DON OUELLETTE



SECRETARY
DAN DRISCOLL



EXECUTIVE OFFICER
JOHN ALCONADA



MRA DIRECTORS 1999

ROBERT SUMMA	ON ALL COMMITTEES
ROBERT OUELLETTE	ON ALL COMMITTEES
CHARLIE TRICKETT	ON ALL COMMITTEES
DON OUELLETTE	MRA TREASURER ~ COMPUTERS
SAL IANNUZZI	CHAIRMAN MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
ROBERT McLAUGHLIN	MANAGER ~ ASSISTANT TREASURER
MIKE DALELIO	MANAGER ~ TRAP ~ REPAIRS
DENNIS PALINO	TRAP ~ ARCHERY ~ MEMBERSHIP
DAN DRISCOLL	MRA SECRETARY ~ SAFETY COURSE
JOHN ALCONADA	SAFETY COURSE ~ MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
DAVID SUIED	TRAP ~ SPORTING CLAYS
DOUG BURDEN	FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN ~ TRAP
JACK TASHJIAN	SAFETY COURSE ~ NEWSLETTER ~ PRINTING
JOHN CHALMERS	SHOOTING TEAMS
PAUL JENKINS	ELECTRICAL REPAIRS
ROBERT ROGERS	MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
JOHN BUCCI	SHOOTING TEAMS



NOMINEES 1999

DIRECTORS

ROBERT SUMMA

CHARLIE TRICKETT

DOUG BURDEN

PAUL FORTUNATO

JOHN ALCONADA

WILLIAM O'NEILL

ERIC SPEAR

STEVE FORTUNE

GEORGE TRAGANOS

EDWARD MAHONEY

DAVID WHEELER

MATT PIGOTT

MATTEY WATERS

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TREASURER

DON OUELLETTE

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SECRETARY

DAN DRISCOLL

PROGRAM

AWARDS

RUGER 10/22 RAFFLE

BUY SOME RAFFLE TICKETS

5:30	<u>MEETING STARTS</u>	
	SIGN IN AND RECEIVE BALLOTS FOR ELECTION AND TICKET FOR DOOR PRIZE SECRETARY'S REPORT	
7:00	<u>START ELECTION</u>	}
	GENERAL REPORT OF CLUB NOMINEES TO SPEAK-(5 MINUTES PER PERSON) 5 DIRECTORS ARE UP FOR ELECTION 1 TREASURER 1 SECRETARY	}
8:00	<u>CAST BALLOTS</u>	
	ELECTION COMMITTEE TO COLLECT BALLOTS AND COUNT THEM	
	DURING ELECTION A BUFFET OF DELICIOUS FOOD TO BE SERVED DURING DINNER AWARDS ARE TO BE GIVEN OUT RAFFLE CONCLUDES	
8:40	<u>ELECTION RESULTS</u>	}
9:00	<u>ELECTION OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENTS</u>	}
9:30	<u>RESULTS</u>	
10:00	<u>END OF MEETING</u>	

- LIFE MEMBER AWARDS
- PRESIDENT'S AWARDS
- MEMBER OF THE YEAR
- DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR AWARD
- FAZIO AWARD
- DOROTHY KNIGHT AWARD
- SUMMA AWARD
- IANNUZZI AWARD
- ROCKY BRIDGES AWARD
- LOEB AWARD
- JUNIOR DIVISION AWARD
- GERRISH AWARD
- POPE AWARD
- INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

MASS. RIFLE PAST PRESIDENTS

1875	ISAAC H. HAZELTON	1945	JOHN T. MURRAY
1876	HORACE B. SARGENT	1946-1948	DR. JOSE P. BILL
1877-1878	CHARLES A. LONGFELLOW	1949-1957	AUSTIN McHUGH
1879-1880	JAMES N. FRYE	1958-1959	H. E. NELSON
1881-1882	LUCIUS L. HUBBARD	1960-1964	E. P. MATSON
1889-1890		1965	T. DRISCOLL
1891-1892	NATHANIEL C. NASH	1966-1967	R. GRAVES
1893	HORACE T. ROCKWELL	1968-1969	G. HUTCHINSON
1894-1895	JABEZ B. FELLOWS	1969-1976	ARTHUR R. WHITE
1896-1897	FRANCIS J. RABBETH	1977-1979	WILLIAM BUEHLER
1898-1908	DANIEL L.F. CHASE	1980-1982	ARTHUR R. WHITE
1917		1983-1985	RICHARD T. BOYLE
1909-1911	SAMUEL MERRILL	1986	ROBERT A. RIPLEY
1912-1916	C. W. HINMAN	1987-1988	RICHARD T. BOYLE
1918-1919	LOUIS BELL	1989-1994	ROBERT SUMMA
1920		1995	JACK LYDON
1921-1922	W. E. FENNEL	1996-1998	ROBERT OUELLETTE
1923	J. E. KELLEY	1999	ROBERT SUMMA
1924	C. G. BILLS		
1925	H. H. BENNETT		
1926	O. E. GERRISH		
1927	W. S. DARLING		
1928	F. G. BECKFORD		
1929	DR. H. R. BRUNTON		
1930	F. E. WHIPPLE		
1931-1933	R. J. DWYER		
1934-1935	W. S. GIBBONS		
1936	R. E. GIBSON		
1937-1939	A. P. LAMPERT		
1940	JOHN J. MURRAY		
1941	GEORGE E. THOMPSON		
1942	WALTER S. GIBBONS		
1943-1944	JOSEPH F. GALLIGAN		

THEN AND NOW

The year was 1875 when seven pioneers wanted to promote the practice of the rifle and improvement of the militia for the state; that's when the Massachusetts Rifle Association was born.

With a handful of members, bylaws were put into place, annual dues were \$10.00, and rifle matches were started.

One hundred and twenty - five years later, the M.R.A. still promotes the use of rifles, handguns, bows and arrows, and shotguns.

Most of the land still belongs to the M.R.A.; some land was sold and some taken by the town of Woburn for Rt. 128.

Today, the Massachusetts Rifle Association is still having rifle matches along with other sporting events.

Bylaws are still in place with some updated changes; the annual dues are now \$100.00.

The number of members are much more than a handful today (764 members to date.)

They thrive in the face of adversity. In spite of the current political strife and the challenges of the encroaching urban sprawl, they find the greatest reward not in profit, but in the satisfaction of a job well done.

Robert Ouellette

1st Vice President

GERRISH AWARD

T. MEARLS
1999 WINNER

1970
1992
1993
1994
1995
1996
1997
1998
1999



Left to Right ~T. Mearls ~J. Bucci ~L.. Hartnett ~R. Wright ~J. Tashjian
Back Row ~ R. Boudreau THE 1999 SHOOTING TEAM

R. ROLLINS
R. WRIGHT

L. HARTNETT
J. BUCCI
T. MEARLS
J. BUCCI
T. MEARLS

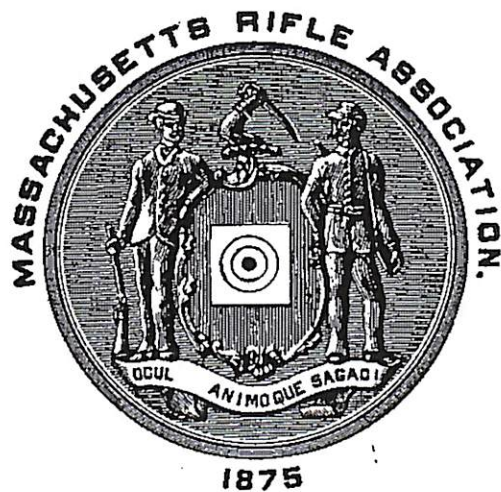
The match is shot at 200 yards with ANY 22 RIMFIRE RIFLE. NO RETURN TO BATTERY RAILS ALLOWED. ANY SIGHTS IRON OR OPTICS ALLOWED. 20 SHOTS AT 200 YARDS ON THE ARMY 5V TARGET.

Gerrish Match

Starts the 3rd Sunday of August & runs thru the 2nd Sunday of August the following year.

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10/5 99 R. SUMMA
R. OUELLETTE
C. TRICKETT